Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 24 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 25 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 23 Sep 2021 at 16:35 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of any cloud breaks on Friday. High for mostly dry weather over the weekend, but low for low cloud detail. High for a return to showery weather next week.

Headline for Friday 24 Sep 2021: Cloudy with patchy rain, windy. Brightest in the south.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 24 Sep 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Drizzle	Drizzle	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
40%	40%	40%	50%	20%	10%	00%	00%

Forecast for Friday 24 Sep 2021

Weather: A lot of low cloud expected through the day with a little light and patchy rain, this mostly in the morning period. Some breaks in the cloud are expected across southern Kintyre and Arran, and across southern Lochaber later in the afternoon. Ranges around Fort William may brighten up towards evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%

Visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud down to 400 to 600 metres, this only slowly clearing across southern Lochaber and perhaps northern Argyll later in the afternoon. Cloud expected to become more broken across southern Kintyre and Arran through the morning, with patches around 800 metres.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	39/49 SW	38/49 SW	36/47 SW	32/42 SW	30/41 W	27/37 W	23/31 W	23/30 SW	25/32 SW
900	27/36 SW	29/39 SW	28/39 SW	27/37 W	26/36 W	23/33 W	18/26 W	16/23 SW	17/24 SW
600	32/42 SW	31/41 SW	29/39 SW	25/35 SW	23/33 SW	20/29 SW	17/24 SW	16/22 SW	17/23 SW
300	17/26 SW	16/25 SW	14/23 SW	12/20 SW	12/20 SW	11/18 SW	9/15 SW	8/13 SW	8/13 S
Glen	11/23 SW	12/25 SW	11/23 SW	10/22 SW	11/23 W	10/20 W	7/14 SW	6/13 SW	6/13 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	5/-2	8/3	7/2	6/0	6/0	6/0	5/-0	5/-0	6/0
900	7/2	10/5	9/5	9/4	9/4	9/4	8/4	7/3	8/4
600	9/4	12/7	11/7	10/6	10/7	10/7	10/7	10/6	10/7
300	11/8	13/10	13/11	13/10	13/10	12/10	12/10	12/10	12/10
Glen	13/11	14/12	15/13	15/13	15/14	15/13	14/13	13/12	13/12
Freezing Level*	3300m	2800m	2400m	2700m	2600m	2800m	2700m	3000m	3100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong, gusty westerly winds widely through the day hampering progress. Notable wind chill expected on the highest tops.

Forecast for Saturday 25 Sep 2021

Weather: A warm front will bring outbreaks of rain and extensive low cloud across the area in the afternoon. Drier and brighter conditions developing in the afternoon with low cloud lifting and breaking on to the higher tops.

Maximum wind: Still windy on the tops with speeds of 30 to 40 mph from the southwest

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud in the morning down to 400 to 600 metres. This breaking to patches at 800 metres or above in the afternoon. Some uncertainty in how quickly conditions will improve.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 rising to 18 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 11 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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